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Mail Stop Patent Application Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: New U.S. Patent Appln. Our Reference: 056208.52569US

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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entitled: ELEVATOR APPARATUS

Enclosed are:

- 1. Specification, including 20 claims (pages 23).
- 2. <u>11</u> Sheets of X Formal _ Informal drawings showing Figs. 1-12.
- 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney (executed).
- 4. Application Data Sheet
- 5. Assignment of the invention to Hitachi, Ltd.
- 6. Certified copies of Priority Documents 2002-202060, filed in Japan on July 11, 2002, and 2002-207672, filed in Japan on July 17, 2002, the priority of which is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55.
- 7. Information Disclosure Statement w/1 references.
- 8. The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

| Basic Fee | | | | | | | \$375/750 | = \$750.00 |
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| Total Claims | 20 | | 20 | = | 0 | X | \$9/18 | = \$ |
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Two checks in the amount of \$824.00 for the filing fee and \$40.00 for the assignment recording fee are enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket 056208.52563US). A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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